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Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449, filed on even date with the enclosed National Application, i.e., on the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491. Accordingly, per 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(2), no fee is due.



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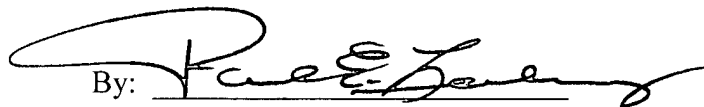
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO-1449.

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